In the claims:

- 1. (currently amended) A base plate (1) for a power tool (13), in particular for hand-guided circular saws, sabre saws, wall chasers, and routers, comprised of a metal sheet, having reinforcing elements that protrude out from thea plane of the metal sheet, at least one of whichsaid plurality of reinforcing elements is embodied in the form of a lateral stop surface (12), and having attaching elements (14) that protrude out from the plane of the metal sheet and are provided for fastening the base plate (1) to thea miter angle (23), wherein the metal sheet is comprised of light metal configured as a stamped and bent metal sheet composed of a light metal alloy and the entire base plate (1) is embodied in one piece.
- 2. (currently amended) The base plate (1) as recited in claim 1, wherein thea material thickness (15) of the metal sheet is less than 4 mm, in particular 3 mm.
- 3. (currently amended) The base plate (1) as recited in claim 1, wherein the metal sheet is comprised of a light metal alloy, in particular an aluminum or magnesium alloy.
- 4. (currently amended) The base plate (1) as recited claim 1,

wherein at leastanother one of said plurality of reinforcing elementelements (6, 7) is embodied in the form of configured as a circumferential collar (6) that forms the lateral stop surface (12).

- 5. (currently amended) The base plate (1) as recited in claim 4, wherein the circumferential collar (6) has a height (17) <u>as considered</u>

 <u>transversely to the plane of the metal sheet of at least twice thea</u> material thickness (15) of the metal sheet <u>as considered transversely to the plane of the metal sheet.</u>
- 6. (currently amended) The base plate (1) as recited in claim 1, wherein at least one of said plurality of reinforcing elementelements (6, 7) is embodied in the form of a lateral, diagonal, or longitudinal reinforcing crease (7).
- 7. (previously presented) The base plate (1) as recited in claim 1, wherein projections (8) and a threaded dome (9) for guiding and positioning a parallel cutting guide (5) and/or connecting elements (18) for an angle adjustment and/or a guide channel (10) are integrated into the base plate (1).
- 8. (currently amended) The base plate (1) as recited in claim 7, wherein the connecting elements (18) have bores (11) that define a rotation axis for thean angle adjustment of a saw blade (19).

(previously presented) A method for manufacturing a base plate (1) as
 recited in claim 1,
 wherein the method is comprised of a stamping and bending process.